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Applicant : Willner et al.
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Title : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETECTING OLIGONUCLEOTIDES IN A
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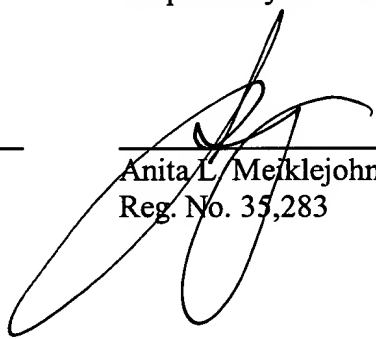
Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated October 6, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1-8, 23-33.

A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for 3 month(s) to and including April 6, 2005 is enclosed.

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